HOUSE No. 2253

By Mr. Connolly of Everett, petition of Edward G. Connolly for legislation to establish the noise level for motorcycle and motor vehicle exhaust systems. Transportation.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Five.

AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE NOISE LEVEL FOR MOTORCYCLE AND MOTOR VEHICLE EXHAUST SYSTEMS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

- 1 Section 7T of chapter 90 of the General Laws, as appearing in
- 2 the 2002 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting before
- 3 the first paragraph the following paragraph:—
- 4 The decibel limit shall be 80dBA with grace limit of 2dBA,
- 5 which would set legal maximum limits at 82dBA for any vehicle;
- 6 measured at 12 inches from the end of exhaust pipe. No vehicle
- 7 may be operated on any public way or where the public has access
- 8 as an invitee or licensee that produces an exhaust noise in excess
- 9 of 82dBA measured at 12 inches from the end of exhaust pipe.